Juhu Branch. As regards the other Branch Manager, the Bank will take necessary disciplinary action against him shortly.

Evasion of excise duty and income-tax by M|S. impex international, Bombay

2991. SHRIMATI MANORAMA PANDEY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M|s. Impex International, Dadamal Chambers, 309, New Marine Lines, Bombay have evaded excise duty, wealth tax and income-tax to the tune of several lakhs of rupees during the last three years,

(b) whether it is also a fact that recently the Income Tax Department has on an inquiry found that the company has submitted false income-tax returns for the years 1982-83, 1983-84 and 1984-85; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and what steps have been taken to recover the excise duty, wealth tax and income-tax dues from the above company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Meeting of Alang ship breakers with Finance Minister

2992. SHRI RAMSINGH BHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in 'Fulchhab' (Gujarat Daily of Rajkot, Gujarat) of the 11th November, 1985 at page 12 colum 8 captioned 'Meeting of Alang ship breakers with the Finance Minister, Shri V. P. Singh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any memorandum or representation/letter, etc. has been handed over by them during the said meeting;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken by Government thereon; and

(e) what is the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (e) The representatives of the ship breaking industry in Gujarat have requested for relief in Customs and Central Excise duties demanded from them. They have also requested that they should not be required to obtain Central Excise licences or to pay any Central Excise dues retrospectively. These ship breakers had met the Finance Minister and had submitted a represntation in this regard. The matter is being examined in consultation with hte Ministry of Steel but no final decision has been taken.

Seizure of gold bisuits, etc.

2993. SHRI RAMSINGH BHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in a massive anti smuggling operation on the 7th November, 1985 detectives of the Preventive unit of the Customs Department posted at Palam seized smuggled gold biscuits, wrist watches, etc. worth over Rs. 77 lakhs from the cargo godown of a foreign airline;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what are the details of the persons involved and what action has been taken against each of them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) On 5-11-1985, the officers of the Customs Collectorate, Delhi, intercepted and examined two packages whcih had arrived from Hong Kong and were awaiting transhipment to Kabul/Kathmandu. On examination, 3392 wrist watches valued at Rs. 13.57 lakhs and 20 Kgs. of a basic drug were recovered and seized.

In the follow-up action, 7795 wrist watches, 11,977 watch movements, 100 gold biscuits weighing 10 totals each 83 Kgs. of medicinal powder miscellaneous goods of foreign origin, Indian currency of Rs. 1.25 lakhs and a car were seized. The total value of the seizures provisionally amounts to Rs. 1.03 crores

(c) In this connection the following four persons have so far been arrested and prosecuted:—

(i) Shri Kailash Chand,
Traffic Assistant,
Indian Airlines.

(ii) Shri Naveen Rana,
Traffic Assistant.
Royal Nepal Airlines.

(iii) Shri Surjeet Singh,
Resident of A-228,
Derewala Colony,
Delhi.

(iv) Shri Rawail Singh,
Resident of A-228,
Derewala Colony,
Delhi.

Loans to educated unemployed

2994. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that bank authorities received complaints to the effect that persons are obtaining loans under the educated unemployed and self-employment schemes of Government by unscrupulous and unfair means;

(b) if so, what are the details of such complaints during 1st January, 1984 to 30th November, 1985 received from Rajkot Bhavnagar, Kutch, Amreli and Junagarh districts of Gujarat; and

(c) what action has been taken on the basis of the complaints for getting back the loan amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) The present data reporting system from banks does not generate data in the manner asked for. However, in a Scheme which is being implemented on a large scale throughout the country, there may be a few instances of complaints regarding delay non-sanctioning of loans|faulty distribution of loans, availment of loans by in-eligible persons and mis-utilisation of loans etc. Specific instances|complaints whenever received, are got looked into for taking suitable remedial action.

Grant of loans to educated unemployed

2995. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government and various nationalised banks have formulated simple procedures so that the educated unemployed can get loans and grants from banks for earning livelihood under the self-employed scheme of the Government of India·

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what is the number of educated unemployed who have been given bank loans by various nationalised banks during 1st January, 1984 to 30th November, 1985 in the districts of Rajkot, Bhavnagar, Amreli, Kutch, Junagarh and Jamnagar of Gujarat State;

(d) what is the number of persons whose applications have been rejected during the above period and the reasons therefor; and

(e) what is the target for granting such loans during 1986 and 1987 by each banks in the above districts of Gujarat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) The Hon'ble Member is presumably referring to the Scheme for providing Self-Employment to the Educated Unemployed youth which was introduced in the year 1983. The Reserve Bank of India have issued suitable guidelines to streamline the procedure for granting loans to the youths under Self-Employment Scheme from time to time. Under the scheme the banks have not to ask for owners' contribution in the form of margin money or seek collateral security or third party